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OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF WESTON, 1884.

Town Clerk.

GEO. W. CUTTING, Jr.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

HENRY J. WHITE, SAMUEL H. WARREN,
NATHAN S. FISKE.

Assessors.

ALONZO S. FISKE, ABIJAH COBURN,
HENRY J. WHITE.

School Committee.

HERMAN A. TRAIN, 3 years; Rev. AMOS HARRIS, 2 years; NAHUM SMITH, 1 year.

Trustees of Merriam Fund.

EDWARD COBURN, HORATIO HEWS,
GEORGE W. CUTTING, Jr.

Treasurer and Collector.

HORACE HEWS.

Auditor.

HERMAN A. TRAIN.

Library Committee.

Rev. AMOS HARRIS, OLIVER R. ROBBINS,
Rev. CHARLES F. RUSSELL.

Library Treasurer.

HORACE HEWS.

Burial Ground Committee.

HENRY J. WHITE, 3 years; EDWARD COBURN, 2 years; GEORGE E. HOBBS, 1 year.

Road Commissioners.

MARSHALL L. UPHAM, 3 years; ALONZO S. FISKE, 2 years; BENJ. F. CUTTER, 1 year.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

District No. 1. GEORGE W. CUTTING, Jr.
" No. 2. EDWARD E. BROWN.
" No. 3. GEORGE W. DUNN.
" No. 4. DANIEL GARFIELD.
" No. 5. CHARLES S. CUTTER.
" No. 6. HORACE LEADBETTER.

Surveyors of Lumber.

DANIEL GARFIELD, DANIEL SMITH, BENJAMIN F. CUTTER.

Fence Viewers.

NATHAN BARKER, SAMUEL F. CLARK, HENRY J. JENNISON.

Field Drivers.

CHARLES A. BENSON, ALBERT E. COBURN, GEORGE S. PERRY.

Constables.

ALONZO S. FISKE, SAMUEL H. WARREN, NATHAN BARKER, Jr.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

DANIEL SMITH.

Pound Keeper.

THEODORE JONES.

Undertaker.

GEORGE H. JONES.

Registrar's Report for 1884.

Births.

Total number of births registered in town during the year 1884, 20; males, 9; females, 11. American parentage, 11; foreign, 5; American and foreign, 4. Born in January, 1; February, 2; March, 4; April, 2; May, 2; July, 1; August, 1; September, 2; October, 1; November, 2; December 2.

Marriages.

Number of marriage certificates issued, 5; marriages registered, 9; first marriage of party, 16; second, 2. Parties native born, 12; foreign born, 6; natives of the town, 3; age of youngest groom, 19; oldest, 32; youngest bride, 19; oldest, 32.

Deaths.

Number of deaths, 18; males, 12; females, 6; single, 9; married, 5; widowers, none; widows, 3; unknown, 1; buried in town, 11. Of this number 6 were under 1 year; between 1 and 10, 1; between 10 and 20, none; between 20 and 30, 1; between 30 and 40, none; between 40 and 50, none; between 50 and 60, 3; between 60 and 70, 2; between 70 and 80, 1; between 80 and 90, 2; between 90 and 100, 2. Oldest, 93 years, 5 months, 7 days; youngest, 4 days.

Died in January, 1; March 1; April, 2; May, 2; June, 2; July, 1; August, 1: September 3; October, 1; November, 1; December, 3.

Disease or Cause of Death.

Old age, 4; still birth, 3; marasmus, 2; consumption, disease of kidneys, inanition, senile gangrene, railroad accident, tetanus, phlebitis umbilical, paralysis and disease of heart, one each.

Amount paid into the County Treasury on account of 113 dog licenses, $242.40.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. CUTTING, Jr.,

Town Clerk.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,		$3,800 00
Mass. School Fund,		164 17
HIGH SCHOOL.		
Dana M. Dustan,	$1,200 00	
INTERMEDIATE.		
Miss Abbie C. Fiske,	450 00	
DISTRICT No 1.		
Miss Ellen M. Jones,	350 00	
DISTRICT No. 2.		
Miss Lillie I. Dunn,	350 00	
DISTRICT No. 3.		
Miss Ida A. Gould,	350 00	
DISTRICT No. 4.		
Miss Anna C. Coburn,	450 00	
DISTRICT No. 5.		
Miss Lizzie J. Viles,	350 00	
DISTRICT No. 6.		
Miss Clara F. Stimpson,	350 00	
21¼ per cent. Mass. School Fund transferred to School Incidentals,	34 89	
		$3884 89
Balance unexpended,		$79 28

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,		$1,000 00
21¼ per cent. Mass. School Fund,		34 89
School Com., bal. for care of rooms, winter term 1883-4,	$15 00	
School Com., care of rooms spring term 1884,	49 00	
School Com. care of rooms fall term '84,	49 00	
School Com., care of rooms, winter term 1884-5,	30 00	
E. W. Parker, wood,	146 05	
" coal for High School,	30 67	
A. H. Dunn, " "	106 31	
Geo. W. Dunn, wood,	15 50	
Geo. H. Stratton, "	28 15	
Geo. B. Milton, "	4 00	
Nahum Smith, sundry items,	32 59	
H. A. Train, "	17 00	
D. M. Dustan, articles for High School,	20 74	
Geo. W. Cutting & Son, articles for schls,	112 42	
J. S. Gould, labor and stock on houses Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and High School,	174 57	
D. Smith, labor and stock on High School,	23 40	
A. Gregory, labor and stock on houses 1 and 4,	75 59	
M. L. Upham, grading High School yd.	2 50	
Geo. S. Perry, articles for schools	2 50	
Thomas Hall, "	5 00	
H. C. Kendall, filling 8 diplomas,	2 00	
W. W. Prescott, 500 programmes,	5 00	
H. B. & W. O. Chamberlain, apparatus,	2 57	
A. P. Gage,	16 40	
A. G. Whitcomb, furniture for H. School,	28 37	
T. Metcalf & Co., chemicals "	6 17	
C. Hall, Jr., repairing furnace at High School,	34 39	
		$1,034 89

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,		$1,700 00
C. M. A. Twitchell & Co., printing Town Reports,	99 75	
Albert Morse, express on T. Reports,	2 45	
Horace Hews, distributing "	4 00	
Geo. H. Jones & Co., books for Library,	15 20	
Geo. W. Cutting & Son, articles for Town House,	28 75	
G. W. Cutting & Son, art. for highways,	70 25	
G. W. Cutting & Son, rope for halyards,	2 80	
C. White, raising halyards,	2 00	
J. S. Gould, repairing pumps,	5 25	
John Pulsifer, " road scraper,	8 00	
E. L. Barry, advertising proposals for Church St.,	1 00	
E. E. Barry, printing reward notices,	1 67	
" Library slips,	5 00	
Pratt Bros., printing assessors' notices,	1 25	
Rice & Drake, " town warrants,	11 00	
C. A. Moody, repairing hearse,	3 00	
Town of Lincoln tax,	8 46	
Corporation tax returned,	8 61	
A. C. Getchell, printing reward notices,	1 25	
A. W. Mitchell, police badges,	5 45	
J. L. Wildes, tuning piano,	3 00	
C. H. Upham, "	2 25	
Wm. Goodnow & Son, articles for Town House,	4 17	
F. S. Jennison, labor at Town House,	16 00	
County Treas., expense on Newton st.,	16 50	
D. Smith, labor and stock at Town House,	6 95	
C. F. Parks, services as civil engineer,	183 89	
Geo. M. Stevens, repairing town clock,	6 50	
Geo. Sanderson, flowers for decoration,	13 00	
Amounts carried forward,	$537 40	$1,700 00

Amounts brought forward,	$537 40	$1,700 00
E. O. Clark, damage to wagon caused by defect in highway,	50 00	
D. French, legal services,	10 00	
M. M. Upham, articles for highways,	60 79	
" gravel "	7 52	
J. Schwartz, " "	8 00	
Chas. Jones, " "	16 00	
H. S. Sears, " "	1 28	
J. Gould, " "	4 00	
E. Sibley, " "	8 00	
H. A. Train, " "	4 00	
A. S. Fiske, " "	20 00	
S. Hagar, " "	17 95	
C. A. Moody, repairing tools for highways,	101 63	
Geo. Upham, repairing tools,	2 90	
Daniel Garfield " "	9 55	
D. J. O'Donnell, " "	9 80	
Geo. H. Sampson, articles for highways,	45 50	
M. L. Upham, snow bills,	26 45	
E. L. Brown, "	2 80	
B. F. Cutter, "	10 05	
A. Loker, "	3 38	
John McAdoo, services as detective,	207 98	
Wiggin & Ward, " "	22 65	
W. B. Ward, " constable,	2 00	
N. Barber, Jr., " "	17 00	
H. F. Davis, boarding and carriage hire for detectives,	38 00	
F. H. Upham, services as night watchman,	20 00	
H. M. Jacobs, services as night watchman,	20 00	
Amounts carried forward,	$1,284 63	$1,700 00

Amounts brought forward,	$1,284 63	$1,700 00
Isaac Lovewell, serv. as night watchman	20 00	
Geo. Walker, " "	20 00	
Geo. W. Kenney, " "	24 00	
Henry Wheeler, " "	20 00	
John McAuliff, " "	4 00	
P. McAuliff, " "	36 50	
J. Corrigan, " "	20 00	
M. Weatherbee, " "	4 00	
N. D. Hewes, " "	12 00	
Wm. Harding, cleaning well,	3 00	
E. W. Parker, coal for town house,	14 38	
E. M. Richardson, articles for highways,	28 87	
A. S. Fiske, " "	19 50	
" wood for town house,	6 60	
" services as constable,	20 55	
" sundry items,	21 37	
B. F. Cutter, snow bills,	5 75	
Geo. W. Cutting & Son, articles for Library,	6 73	
John Coburn, " "	1 25	
H. J. White, stationery and postage,	2 45	
Horace Hews, " "	3 25	
Geo. H. Jones, return of deaths 1884-5,	3 00	
E. O. Clark, serv's rendered Selectmen	3 00	
Selectmen, perambulating town lines,	22 00	
" services rendered and cash paid in opposing the petition of Cambridge and Waltham to take the waters of Stony Brook,	80 00	1,686 83
Balance unexpended,		$13 17

HIGHWAYS.

A. S. Fiske, *Road Commissioner.*

Appropriation,			$3,500 00
April.	Self, 13 1-2 days,	33 75	
	Men, 41 1-2 days,	72 63	
	Horse, 15 days,	22 50	
	Oxen, 8 1-2 days,	17 00	
	D. Eldridge and horse, 13 days,	42 25	
	H. G. Russell and horse. 15 days,	48 75	
	P. Sullivan, 14 1-2 days,	25 38	
	H. A. Wheeler, 14 days,	24 50	
May.	Self, 10 days,	25 00	
	Men, 31 days,	54 25	
	Horse, 13 days,	19 50	
	D. Eldridge and horse, 12 1-2 days,	40 63	
	H. G. Russell and horse, 12 1-2 days,	40 63	
	H. A. Wheeler, 11 1-2 days,	20 13	
	P. Sullivan, 16 1-2 days,	28 88	
	J. Finn, 7 1-2 days,	13 13	
Dec.	Self, 6 days,	15 00	
	Men, 30 days,	52 50	
	Horse, 5 days,	7 50	
	Oxen, 5 days,	10 00	

M. L. Upham, *Road Commissioner.*

April.	Self, 14 1-2 days,	36 25	
	Men, 36 days,	63 00	
	Horses, 34 days,	51 00	
	Oxen, 10 days,	20 00	
	A. M. Upham, 17 1-2 days,	30 63	
	F. A. Caswell, 6 days,	10 50	
	" horse, 5 1-2 days,	8 25	
Amounts carried forward,		$833 54	$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward,,		$833 54	$3,500 00
April.	J. Caswell, 17 1-2 days,	30 63	
	E. Caswell, 11 1-2 days,	20 13	
	H. Higgins, 3 days,	5 25	
	T. Burke, 19 days,	33 25	
May.	Self, 2 days,	5 00	
	Men, 12 days,	21 00	
	Oxen, 2 days,	4 00	
	Horse, 12 days,	18 00	
June.	Self, 18 days,	45 00	
	Men, 44 days,	77 00	
	Oxen, 10 days,	20 00	
	Horses, 64 days,	96 00	
	A. M. Upham, 15 days,	26 25	
	J. Caswell, 18 days,	31 50	
	E. Caswell, 10 days,	17 50	
	T. Burke, 17 days,	29 75	
	H. Higgins, 16 days,	28 00	
	E. Bemis, 13 days,	22 75	
	D. Murphy, 10 days,	17 50	
	Geo. W. Dunn, as per bill,	36 78	
	D. J. Eldridge, "	7 49	
July.	Self, 13 days,	32 50	
	Men, 24 days,	42 00	
	Horses, 24 days,	36 00	
	Oxen, 4 days,	8 00	
	A. M. Upham, 12 days,	21 00	
	J. Caswell, 9 days,	15 75	
	T. Burke, 14 1-2 days,	25 38	
	E. Bemis, 4 days,	7 00	
Aug.	Self, 17 days,	42 50	
	Men, 34 days,	59 50	
	Horses, 30 days,	45 00	
	Oxen, 15 days,	30 00	
	A. M. Upham, 17 days,	29 75	
Amounts carried forward,		$1,820 70	$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward,		$1,820 70	$3,500 00
Aug.	H. Higgins, 12 days,	21 00	
	H. Parker, 1 day,	1 75	
	J. Caswell, 13 1-2 days,	23 63	
	E. Caswell, 8 days,	14 00	
	T. Burke, 10 days,	17 50	
Sept.	Self, 18 days,	45 00	
	Men, 30 days,	52 50	
	Horses, 32 days,	48 00	
	Oxen, 14 days,	28 00	
	A. M. Upham, 18 days,	31 50	
	H. Higgins, 17 1-2 days,	30 63	
	J. Caswell, 21 days,	36 75	
	E. Caswell, 16 days,	28 00	
	T. Burke, 18 days,	31 50	
Oct.	Self, 7 days,	17 50	
	Men, 12 days,	21 00	
	Horses, 16 days,	24 00	
	A. M. Upham, 7 days,	12 25	
	H. Higgins, 6 days,	10 50	
	T. Burke, 7 days,	12 25	
	J. Caswell, 7 days,	12 25	
	E. Caswell, 6 days,	10 50	
Nov.	Geo. W. Dunn, as per bill,	57 66	
	B. F. Cutter, *Road Commissioner.*		
April.	Self, 12 days,	30 00	
	Men, 50 days,	87 50	
	Horses, 44 days,	66 00	
	A. M. Loker, men, 20 days,	35 00	
	" horse, 15 days,	22 50	
	Charles Warren, as per bill,	59 81	
May.	Self, 13 1-2 days,	33 75	
	Men, 84 days,	147 00	
	Horses, 56 days,	84 00	
Amounts carried forward,		$2,973 93	$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward,		$2,973 93	$3,500 00
	A. M. Loker, as per bill	57 50	
	C. A. Warren, "	35 23	
June.	Self, 7 days,	17 50	
	Men, 53 days,	92 75	
	Horses, 32 1-2 days,	48 75	
July.	Self, 3 days,	7 50	
	Men, 12 1-2 days,	21 87	
	Horses, 9 days,	13 50	
Aug.	Self, 5 days,	12 50	
	Men, 34 days,	59 50	
	Horses, 19 days,	28 50	
Sept.	Self, 1 1-5 days,	3 00	
	Men, 9 1-2,	16 62	
	Horses, 6 days,	9 00	
Nov.	Self, 1-2 day,	1 25	
	Men, 3 days,	5 25	
	Horse, 3 days,	4 50	
Dec.	Self, 1 3-10 days,	3 25	
	Men, 13 1-2 days,	23 63	
	Horse, 8 3-10 days,	12 45	
	C. A. Warren, 5 2-5 days,	9 45	
	" horse, 5 2-5 days,	8 10	
1885.			
Jan.	Self, 2 days,	5 00	
	Men, 10 1-5 days,	17 85	
	Horse, 7 3-5,	11 40	
			$3,499 78
	Balance unexpended,		22

SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation,		$300 00
A. S. Fiske, as per bill,	$49 27	
M. L. Upham, "	250 64	
		$2,99 91
Balance unexpended,		09

CULVERTS AND RAILINGS.

Appropriation,		$500 00
A. S. Fiske, as per bill,	$44 00	
M. L. Upham, "	133 75	
B. F. Cutter, "	37 00	
Francis Buttrick, lumber,	21 98	
W. H. Leatherbee & Son, lumber,	74 35	
Wm. Reed, covering stones,	122 75	
Davis & Farnum, drain pipe, etc.,	30 41	
Edward Coburn, relaying wall on Church street,	8 83	
		$473 07
Balance unexpended,		$26 93

CEMETERIES.

Appropriation,		$300 00
John Poutas, granite posts,	$24 00	
M. L. Upham, labor, as per bill,	1 45	
John Hussey, " "	13 10	
Edward Coburn, " "	19 79	
H. J. White, " "	71 33	
" recording deeds,	1 50	
Trustees,	15 00	
		$146 17
Balance unexpended,		$153 83

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation,		$1,000 00
Henry J. White, Selectman,	$40 00	
Samuel H. Warren, "	25 00	
Nathan S. Fiske, "	25 00	
Alonzo S. Fiske, Assessor,	85 00	
Abijah Coburn, "	38 00	
Henry J. White, "	38 00	
Amos Harris, School Committee,	50 00	
Nahum Smith, " "	50 00	
Herman A. Train, " "	50 00	
Geo. W. Cutting, Jr., Town Clerk,	83 77	
John Cobern, Librarian,	200 00	
A. S. Fiske, Road Commissioner,	18 75	
B. F. Cutter, " "	12 00	
Henry J. White, Overseer of the Poor,	15 00	
Samuel H. Warren, " " "	15 00	
Nathan S. Fiske, " " "	15 00	
Herman A. Train, Auditor,	50 00	
		810 52
Balance unexpended,		189 48

TEXT BOOKS.

Appropriation,			$300 00
March.	Wm. Ware & Co., text books,	20 72	
April.	" " "	8 22	
	Harrison Hume, "	63 51	
	Harper & Bros., "	7 14	
	Ginn, Heath & Co., "	4 32	
	D. Appleton & Co., "	67 84	
	Chas. H. Whiting, "	6 92	
May.	Boston School Supply Co., paper,	1 95	
Amounts carried forward, . . .		$180 62	$300 00

Amounts brought forward, . .		$180 62	$300 00
May.	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn, text books,	16 88	
	Harrrison Hume, text books,	5 54	
Sept.	" " "	14 33	
Oct.	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn, text books,	14 02	
	Harper & Bros., text books,	3 36	
	Chas. H. Whiting, "	80	
Dec.	" " "	95	
	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn, text books,	83	
	Oliver Ditson & Co., text books,	8 55	
	Wm. Ware & Co., "	10 90	
1885.			
Jan.	Harrison Hume, "	37 76	
			294 54
	Balance unexpended,		$5 46

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Appropriation,		$800 00
Waltham Bank and sundry notes,	$728 75	
		728 75
Balance unexpended,		$71 25

SALARY OF TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Appropriation,		$250 00
Horace Hews, Treasurer and Collector,	$250 00	
		250 00

DISCOUNT AND ABATEMENTS.

Appropriation,		$800 00
Amount,	$686 22	
		686 22
Balance unexpended,		$113 78

LIBRARY.

Appropriation, dog tax,		$208 94
Library Treasurer,	$208 94	
		208 94

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation,		$1000 00
Overseers of Poor, support at Almshouse,	$763 51	
" " outside relief,	236 49	
		1000 00

IMPROVEMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Appropriation.		$300 00
H. L. Brown, superintending and labor,	$288 50	
H. A. Hagar, fertilizer,	9 00	
Geo. W. Cutting & Son, grass seed,	2 50	
		300 00

FENCING AND GRADING HIGH SCHOOL YARD.

Appropriation,		$500 00
H. L. Brown, superintending and labor,	$69 80	
W. N. Gowell, labor and stock,	144 06	
T. Weld, " "	41 00	
R. M. Gill, " "	245 00	
		499 86
Balance unexpended,		14

REPAIRS ON CHURCH ST.

Appropriation,				$7,500 00
April.	M. L. Upham,	as per bill,	$43 00	
May.	" " "	" " "	487 26	
	John H. Hussey,	" " "	306 50	
	A. S. Fiske,	" " "	39 26	
June.	" " "	" " "	439 31	
Amounts carried forward,			$1,315 33	$7,500 00

Amounts brought forward, . .		$1,315 33	$7,500 00
June.	M. L. Upham, " " "	117 25	
	John H. Hussey, " " "	273 75	
July.	" " " " " "	317 65	
	A. S. Fiske, " " "	297 12	
Aug.	" " " " " "	507 90	
	John H. Hussey, " " "	470 18	
Sept.	" " " " " "	395 36	
	A. S. Fiske, " " "	490 95	
Oct.	" " " " " "	609 51	
	John H. Hussey, " " "	514 57	
Nov.	" " " " " "	526 43	
	A. S. Fiske, " " "	670 00	
Dec.	" " " " " "	99 25	
	John H. Hussey, " " "	116 74	
	Wm. N. Gowell, labor on fence,	21 50	
	E. L. Bemis, lighting Church St.,	27 00	
	J. Pulsifer, 5 stone drags,	26 50	
	Davis & Farnum, drain pipe,	5 69	
	Fitchburgh R. R., freight on stones,	62 40	
	Curtis Robinson, land damages,	400 00	
	Daniel Lamson, " "	150 00	
	A. L. Coburn, " "	50 00	
	Edward Coburn, relaying wall,	34 92	
		$7,500,00	7,500 00

REPAIRS ON FOREST ST.

Appropriation,			$1000 00
M. L. Upham,	as per bill,	$999 41	
			999 41
Balance unexpended,			59

COPYING TOWN RECORDS.

Appropriation,			$500 00
1883.			
Oct.	Frank W. Bigelow, as per bill,	$200 00	
1884.			
Feb.	" " " " " "	150 00	
April.	" " " " " "	150 00	
			500 00

STATE AID.

Mrs. Harriet F. Stimpson,	$48 00	
Mrs. Martha Tucker,	48 00	
Hosea F. Traverse,	48 00	
Lemuel A. Smith,	48 00	
		192 00

CONTINGENCIES.

Amount drawn from unexpended balances transferred into Treasury, according to Art. 15 of By-Laws,		$58 60
Reward paid by Selectmen for the recovery of stolen property,	$36 00	
Horace Hews, Collector on estate of Sophronia Flint,	22 60	
		$58 60

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

Dr.

Cash in Treasury March 1, 1884,	$4,031 81
Uncollected Taxes, March 1, 1885.	1,538 38
Waltham Nathaniel Bank, temporary loan,	4,800 00
Mass. Corporation Tax,	6,684 86
" Bank Tax,	2,516 45
" State Aid,	192 00
" School Fund,	164 17
County Treasurer, dog tax refunded,	235 13
Weighing fees,	23 00
Sale of burial lots,	80 80
Nathan Barker, Jr., auctioneer's license,	2 00
R. H. Hurlbut, extra pay as representative,	37 50
Wm. H. Brewer, trustee.	100 00
Rent of Nonsuch Pond,	5 00
Waltham Saving's Bank, Church street, loan,	3,500 00
Tax Receipts, for 1882,	72,48
" 1883,	1,629 93
" 1884,	12,767 56
Added tax,	1 00
Interest on Taxes,	49 57
	$38,431 64

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

Cr.

Schools,	$3,850 00
School Incidentals	1,034 89
Town "	1,686 83
Highways,	3.499 78
Sidewalks,	299 91
Culverts and railings,	473 07
Cemeteries,	146 17
Salaries of town officers,	810 52
Salary of Treasurer and Collector,	250 00
Text books,	294 44
Interest on debt,	728 75
Discount and abatements,	686 22
Library,	208 94
Support of poor,	1,000 00
Improvement of High School grounds,	300 00
Fencing and grading High School yard,	499 86
Repairs on Church street,	7,500 00
Repairs on Forest street,	999.51
Copying Town Records,	150 00
State aid,	192 00
Contingencies,	58 60
State tax,	2,480 00
County tax,	1,140 80
Waltham National Bank, temporary loans,	4,800 00
Debt,	1,500 00
Cash in Treasury,	2,302 97
Uncollected taxes,	1,538 38
	$38,431 61

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

DEBT OF THE TOWN.

Mary F. Peirce,	$1,000 00	
Edward Peirce,	1,000 00	
Abigail Jones,	800 00	
First Parish, Weston,	400 00	
Trustees Town Library fund,	1,400 00	
Trustees of silent poor fund,	3,208 00	
Marshall L. Hews,	1,750 00	
		$9,558 00
Bent burial fund, Wm. Brewer, trustee,		100 00
Waltham Saving's Bank, Church street loan,		3,500 00
		$13,158 00

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in treasury,	$2,302 97
Uncollected Taxes,	1,538 38
Due from State aid,	192 00
	$4,033 35

Paid on debt, $1,500

ASSESSORS' VALUATION, MAY 1, 1884.

Total, value of real estate,	$1,052,800 00
" personal estate,	819,050 00
Total value,	$1,871,850 00
State tax on polls,	$410 00
" property,	2,070 00
County " polls,	410 00
County " property,	730 80
Town " property,	10,676 52
Total tax assessed May 1, 1884,	$14,297 32

RATE PER CENT. :

State tax on property,	$1 10 per	$1,000 00
County "	40	"
Town "	5 70	"
Total "	$7 20	"

Town grants, 1884,	$18,054 00
State tax, 1884,	2,480 00
County tax, 1884,	1,140 80
Total,	$21,674 80
Income deducted,	7,500 00
Overlayings,	126 52

Number of polls	410
" dwelling-houses,	267
" horses,	384
" cows,	890
" sheep,	11
" acres taxed,	10,310

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAM A. TRAIN, Auditor.

Weston, Feb. 28, 1885.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Balance in Treasury, March 1st, 1884,	$4,031 81
R. H. Hurlbut, Rep. to Legislature, extra pay refunded,	37 50
Rent of Nonsuch Pond,	5 00
Weighing fees,	23 00
Sale of burial lots,	80 80
Auctioneer's license,	2 00
Stephen C. Bent, permanent care of burial lot,	100 00
Waltham National Bank, temporary loan,	4,800 00
Waltham Savings Bank, Church Street loan,	3,500 00
County of Middlesex, dog tax refunded,	235 13
State of Massachusetts, income from School Fund,	164 17
" " Corporation Tax,	6,684 86
" " National Bank Tax,	2,516 45
" " State Aid refunded,	192 00
Horace Hews, Collector of Taxes, 1882,	72 48
" " " " 1883,	1,629 93
" " " " 1884,	12,767 56
" " Added Tax,	1 00
" " Interest on Taxes,	49 57
	$36,893 26

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By paid State of Massachusetts State Tax,	$2,480 00
" County of Middlesex, County Tax,	1.140 80
" Waltham National Bank, temporary loan,	4,800 00
" Estate of Almira Peirce, loan,	1,500 00
" Sundry persons, Selectmen's orders,	24,669 49
Balance in Treasury,	2,302 97
	$36,893 26

HORACE HEWS, *Treasurer.*

WESTON, Feb. 28, 1885.

TAXES UNCOLLECTED.

Tax of 1883,	$8 62
" 1884,	1,529 76
	$1,538 38

HORACE HEWS, *Collector.*

WESTON, Feb. 28, 1885.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

AND

Overseers of the Poor.

The Almshouse remains under the charge of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Pierce, whose services the town has been favored with the past two years. At the beginning of the year there were six inmates. Mrs. Harriet Dudley, aged 57 years; Frank B. Nelson, aged 28 years; Susan A. White, aged 77 years, who died Feb. 22d; Robert H. Purcell, aged 11 years; Herman Purcell, aged 9 years; Joseph Fabyan, aged 64 years, who died Nov. 18th. Present number four.

449 tramps cared for at the Almshouse during the year.

RECEIPTS FROM THE FARM.

Cash received for sale of milk,		$939 35
"	" 6 cows,	132 00
"	" calves,	13 25
"	" poultry,	23 20
"	" eggs,	71 48
"	" potatoes,	54 12
"	" pickles,	48 88
"	" letting horse,	2 00
"	" old iron,	1 25
"	for board of Mr. and Mrs. White,*	127 92
"	from Treasury,	763 51
Deficiency unpaid,		29 53
		$2,206 49

*347 08 more for board and other expenses of Mr. and Mrs. White at the farm received to late to put into this years account.

EXPENDITURES.

Cash paid	Deficiency of last year,	$279 17
"	David H. Pierce, superintending,	325 00
"	groceries,	221 93
"	grain and flour,	410 96
"	brewers grain,	135 22
"	meat,	111 85
"	fish and salt,	18 32
"	boots, shoes and clothing,	78 82
"	household goods,	18 96
"	coal,	48 86
"	blacksmithing, &c.,	40 71
"	farming tools and grass seed,	4 37
"	six cows,	284 00
"	repairs,	5 50
"	sundries,	12 07
"	labor,	48 25
"	nurse and watchers,	38 00
"	burial expenses of Joseph Fabyan,	23 00
"	medical attendance,	61 00
"	burial expenses of Mrs. White,	26 50
"	stove,	14 00
		$2,206 49

OUTSIDE RELIEF.

Cash paid	Taunton Lunatic Hospital, board of Mary P. Bacon,	$31 63
"	City of Haverhill, board and nursing Joseph Fabyan,	41 50
"	Aid rendered Mrs. Mary Veno,	77 36
"	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, board of Julia Harding, Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	78 80
"	Aid rendered Mrs. Marden,	7 20
		$236 49
Cost at Almshouse,		793 04
Total,		$1029 53

The Selectmen make the following Estimate of Expenditures for the ensuing year:

For Highways,	$4,000 00
Sidewalks,	300 00
Culverts and railings,	500 00
Schools,	4,200 00
School incidentals,	1,000 00
Text books,	350 00
Support of poor,	1,000 00
Cemeteries,	300 00
Interest on debt,	800 00
Salaries of Town Officers,	1,050 00
Discount and abatements,	800 00
Town incidentals,	1,200 00
	$15,500 00

The following names will be reported at the Annual March Meeting, to be placed in the Jury box, subject to the revision of the Town:

Amri Barker,
Henry F. Bowers,
Edward Coburn,
Samuel F. Clark,
James Cooper,
William Cooper,
Hosea F. Davis,
George W. Dunn,
Marcus M. Fiske,
Nathan S. Fiske,
Daniel Garfield,
Josiah S. Gould,
Edward C. Green,
Francis Hastings, 2d,
George F. Jones,
Abijah Leadbetter,
Edward Pierce,
Fitz A Robinson,
William S. Seaverns,
Daniel Smith,
Charles E. Smith,
Herbert Seaverns,
Samuel H. Warren,
Henry A. Wheeler,

TOWN WARRANT.

Articles in Warrant for Town Meeting to be held March 23, 1885:

The Meeting will be called at 12.30 o'clock, P. M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator for said Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3. To act upon the reports of the several Boards of Town officers, and also to act upon the reports of any Committee chosen by the Town.

ARLICLE 4. To grant and appropriate such sums of money as may be thought necessary to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town wiil fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and act anything relative to the collecting of taxes.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To vote upon the question, shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended on Lexington St., or act anything relatiue to said Street.

ARTICLE 10. To see what action with regard to Church St., the Town will take.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will accept of Newton St., as laid out and defined by the Road Commissioners.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will appropriate money for improving Newton St., or act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see what action the Town will take with regard to damage claimed for land taken to widen Church St., as laid out by the County Commissioners.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will provide land by purchase or rent for a ball ground, or act anything relative to the same.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars, to enlarge the High and Intermediate School Rooms.

HENRY J. WHITE,
SAMUEL H. WARREN,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
} *Selectmen of Weston.*

REPORT

OF THE

ROAD COMMISIONERS

The annual appropriations for highways the past year have been expended in different parts of the Town as the needs of the several highways seemed to require.

The appropriation for Forest Street has been expended in widening and grading, making it much easier, safer, and far more pleasant in driving over that street.

Church Street through its entire length has been widened and graded to the lines ordered by the County Commissioners, with the exception of two places: one the west side of the causeway near the house of Mr. George C. Richardson, which is widened in part; the second near the Ftchburg Railroad where the highway forms the dam for the Shoddy Mill. This last place it seems particularly desirous should be widened, it being close to the railroad track, and where all teams have to stop whilst cars are passing, thus rendering it unsightly and not particularly safe. Both places should be fixed to add to the finish of the street.

The appropriation being exhausted it will be for the Town to decide whether they will grant a small sum to finish it, or submit it to the County Commissioners for their inspection and approval.

Our attention has been called to Lexington Street, and a strong pressure from Waltham has been exercised to have the hills graded and the road-way widened in part. We would recommend a small appropriation for Lexington Street.

Our doings in regard to Newton Street will be laid before the Town at the annual meeting, the report being too lengthy

for insertion at this time. We hope the Town will meet the subject amicably and in a liberal spirit.

The grant for Egypt hill is still unexpended owing to the dilatoriness of Wellesley, but we have the assurance of the Selectmen of that Town that they will take hold of it this coming season.

We would recommend for highways the coming season:

Highways appropriation, $3500.
Culverts and railings, $500.
Sidewalks, $300.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO S. FISKE,
BENJ. F. CUTTER,
MARSHALL L. UPHAM,
} *Road Commissioners of Weston.*

REPORT ON GUIDE-BOARDS.

Guide-boards are maintained at the following places, viz:

At the junctions of North Avenue and Lexington Street, North Avenue and Church Street, North Avenue and Forest Street, North Avenue and Lincoln Street, Concord and Merriam Streets, Concord and Sudbury Streets, Central Avenue and Concord Street, Central Avenue and School Street, Central Avenue and Crescent Street, Central Avenue and Wellesley Street, Wellesley and School Streets, Wellesley and Newton Streets, Newton and Ash Streets, South Avenue and Wellesley Street, South Avenue and East Newton Street, South Avenue and River Street, River Street and Loring Place, Winter and Brown Streets.

We do not think it necessary to maintain them in other places.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO S. FISKE,
BENJ. F. CUTTER,
MARSHALL L. UPHAM, } *Road Commissioners of Weston.*

REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of Cemeteries.

The Trustees of Cemeteries submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 28th, 1885.

In Linwood Cemetery the usual work of keeping it in order has been done, also the wall above the entrance has been righted and banked. Three lots have been sold the past year, making the whole number sold 37.

Whole number of interments, 57.

In the other burial grounds the usual amount of labor has been done.

RECEIPTS.

Cash received for burial lots,	$80 30
Appropriated,	300 00
	$380 30

EXPENDITURES.

Linwood Cemetery.

John H. Hussey, labor on wall,	$13 10
Sundry workmen and teams,	40 00
Making and recording deeds,	1 50
John Poutas, granite posts,	24 00
	$78 60

Linwood Avenue.

Sundry workmen,	$12 85

Centre Burial Ground.

Sundry workmen,	$33 82

Old Burial Ground.

For labor,	$4 90

South Burial Ground.

For labor,	$1 00
Trustees for services,	15 00
	$67 57

Amount of Expenses,	$146 17
Balance unexpended,	234 13

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. WHITE,
EDWARD COBURN, } *Trustees.*
GEORGE E. HOBBS,

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

OF THE

Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor.

DR.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1884,	$143 41
Interest from Fund,	192 48
	$335 89

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Paid Trustees' orders,	$135 00
Balance unexpended,	200 89
	$335 89

HORACE HEWS, *Treasurer.*

WESTON, Feb. 28, 1885.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

At the close of the school year, 1885, the following report is submitted to the citizens of Weston, containing a statement of the condition of the public schools:

Nahum Smith, term expires in 1885.
Amos Harris, " " 1866.
Herman A. Train, " " 1887.
Amos Harris, Chairman.
Herman A. Train, Secretary.
Nahum Smith, Sub-Committee on finance and repairs.
Amos Harris, Nahum Smith, } Sub-Com. on text-books and course of study.
Nahum Smith, Sub-Committee on music.

School No.	1.	Under the	special	care of	Amos Harris.	
"	2.	"	"	"	"	"
"	3.	"	"	"	Nahum Smith.	
"	4.	"	"	"	"	"
"	5.	"	"	"	Herman A. Train.	
"	6.	"	"	"	"	"

HIGH SCHOOL.

We are happy to report that by your liberal appropriation the services of Mr. Dana M. Dustan were secured, and that he has been at his post of duty during the past year. As the school will begin on the same day as your annual meeting, we have been obliged to engage him previous to your action. We trust, howerev, that you have been so well satisfied with the results of the

year that has closed, that we may be able to retain his valuable services for the ensuing year, at the same salary. Some important changes have been introduced during the year, and others are under consideration.

Your committee are expected to recommend to you, and to provide as you give them the means, for the health of the scholars, their intellectual training, and the moral influence of the school. One writer very aptly says:

"We wish to remind school boards what an intelligent public is coming to think concerning certain results of the common school system, and to invite their utmost diligence in the search for improvements. They should remember that the common school is a comparatively recent creation, and can hardly be expected to have reached perfection thus early in its history. Neither should they forget that the conditions of society and the elements of population are rapidly changing, so that a system which was practically efficient ten years ago, may be inadequate or defective now."

It is the growiug conviction of your committee that our system of educating scholars should be so flexible as to meet the growing needs of the present time. That a pupil who remains three years shall have the credit of the work which he has accomplished, and if he continues four years, a just appreciation of his efforts shall be made to him by those in authority. That scholars who can avail themselves of *one* year in the school shall have the opportunity to pursue those studies which will be best adapted to prepare them for their contemplated sphere of life. The branches of study shall also be of that nature which are best adapted to teach the pupil to think for himself — as well as to acquire knowledge.

To do this, our course of study must be eminently practical. The science shall be made very prominent. If Latin is taught, it must be regarded as a means to an end. If it is the best means, then teach it; if it is not, substitute that which in the enlightened judgment of those in power—with all the light they can receive—think is the best.

The last year has been in advance of previous years in the amount of study by the scholars, as well as in the quality.

The study of Latin has been optional with the pupils, and has been a decided success in the ways indicated above. If some

modern language, is on the whole, better for our children—taking all things into account—then let it be a part of the course. In order to accomplish more for our youth it has been urged upon the attention of your committee by friends of the school that another year should be added to our present course.

After much deliberation we have decided to ask you for an appropriation so that an assistant may be procured to carry out the proposed plan. The work of the principal will be greater, and his care increased by this plan, even with the aid of an assistant, as there will be some fifteen recitations per day.

It is proposed that all the scholars shall recite one or more lessons to the principal, aud that he will be held responsible for the intellectual training and discipline of the school.

If the proposed plan meets with your approval, we anticipate that some who have graduated under the former system will avail themselves of the privileges offered in order to more efficiently qualify themselves for future usefulness.

Your committee are heartily united in this effort, and our teachers will enter upon the work with enthusiasm, so that other things being equal, we have good reason to expect favorable results. In regard to the health of the scholars, it is well known that physicians have but a poor opinion of public schools. Such matters as ventilation, damp cellars, drainage, amount of light in the room, position of seats, location of blackboards, and numerous other things are being brought before the public attention with an earnestness that has never before been witnessed.

As we have sufficient space in the High School building to accommodate two schools very comfortably, it is the unanimous wish of your Committee that the sum of $500 might be appropriated, so that the present arrangement of rooms might be so modified as to afford a greater amount of cubic feet, and therefore purer air for your youth to breathe.

We have hitherto deemed it unadvisable to call your attention to this very important and desirable change, because we supposed that the cost would more than double the amount above mentioned. But being reasonably assured that the amount named will be sufficient, we most sincerely hope, in behalf of the health, convenience and comfort of the scholars, you will give a favorable response.

The school-yard has been newly graded and enclosed by a fence that does honor both to the Town and to the wisdom of Messrs. Brown and White, who had the work in charge.

Whole number of scholars, - - - - -	40
Average membership, - - - - -	35
" attendance, - - - - - -	34
Tardy marks, - - - - - - - -	22

Perfect in attendance:

For 16	terms,	Florence Coburn.
9	"	Oscar Coburn.
15	"	Carrie Coburn.
6	"	Mattie Tucker.
3	"	Mary Poutas.
6	"	Helen Cutter.

In behalf of the School Committee,

AMOS HARRIS, *Chairman.*

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

MISS ABBIE C. FISKE, Teacher.

The union between teacher and scholars in this school is very commendable. The discipline has been excellent. The moral tone very elevating in its influence and power in moulding the character of the pupils. The intellectual training has been thorough, and the scholar has been taught to think for himself. Principles have been grasped and mastered, and the details have followed in their proper proportion and importance. First, there has been the discipline of mind; and second, the results growing out of that discipline. The scholars have shown an enthusiasm in all their studies which is very gratifying to the Committee.

The study of Botany is espesially deserving of mention. The classification and arrangement of this branch, seemingly so complicated, were skillfully exemplified and presented to the pupil's mind so tangibly as to arrest his attention, create an intesest, and fix in his memory certain fundamental laws that will be invaluable to him in practical life.

The art of writing has been carefully taught and the principle which underlies good penmanship especially emphasised. We

regard this branch of work in this school as very important. Pupils of this age will form those habits which will accompany them through life. Therefore we are pleased at the success of the past year's effort.

The singing is receiving time and attention which it deserves. Led by their teacher, good progress has been made and interest manifested in this direction. To give variety to the exercises, development of muscle, and health of the body, calisthenics have been taught and practised in a very acceptable and profitable manner.

The school we are happy to say, while having suffered some by sickness, has been highly favored as a whole during the year. The success of this school in receiving scholars from different parts of the Town, brought up under different influences and forming various habits of study and thought, is well worth the effort and cost expended. It is very evident that the school has a mission worthy of the confidence of the citizens in preparing and disciplining our youth in the same building, for entrance into the High School.

The outlook was never more encouraging than to-day.

Whole number of scholars,	27
Average membership,	21
" attendance,	22
Tardy marks,	19

Perfect in attendance:

Pearlie Moore, Emma Kenney,
Fannie Fiske, George Speare,
Freddie Elbridge.

In behalf of the School Committee,

AMOS HARRIS, *Chairman.*

EAST CENTRE SCHOOL—No. 1.

Miss Ellen M. Jones, Teacher.

This is one of our largest schools. The whole number of scholars is thirty-four, and with few exceptions below the average in age. As a consequence the order and discipline of the school have to be of that kind which the immaturity and physical condition of the pupils will justify in securing.

The school has suffered from sickness and also from the non-attendance of the small scholars. The pupils have shown a creditable degree of interest in their studies—and therefore of progress.

The talent for singing is very apparent, and the efficiency with which they render their songs is quite satisfactory.

We are glad to make mention of this feature of the school, and sincerely approve and encourage all efforts in this direction.

The large number of those who have visited the school during the year—especially the parents—is very encouraging to the scholars as well as the teacher.

The room was crowded on examination day and the scholars seemed to enjoy the honor of having so many present. We are happy to see the interest which the parents and friends have shown in this school, and that it continues unabated. By the united effort of parents, teacher and pupils, we have every reason to hope the school will meet with good success.

Whole number of scholars, - - -	34
Average membership, - - - -	28
" attendance, - - - - -	24-43
Number of Tardy marks, - - - -	82

AMOS HARRIS, *Sub-Committee.*

WEST CENTRE SCHOOL—No. 2.

Miss LILLIE I. DUNN, Teacher.

This school which has been highly favored during previous years has suffered very much in this on account of removals and sickness. The scholars were absent more or less in the fall term on account of whooping cough. The winter term was rendered useless to many pupils on account of scarlet fever and measles.

Only five scholars were present at the last examination, while the others were confined to their beds, or had not sufficiently recovered from sickness to be present.

It was with great effort that the flag was kept flying by this band of our children with their numbers so reduced,—but their courage was excellent, and therefore they would not surrender their position until the term was ended,—only as obliged to.

The children are very much attached to their school and are happy and united. Obstacles over which the committee or teacher had no power to overcome,—as above referred to, prevented the year from being one of usual usefulness.

With persistent effort and careful study we hope that during the year to come, under the guidance of their experienced and earnest leader, the school will rally and recover the ground which it has lost and advance in the course of study and mental training.

Whole number of scholars,	24
Average membership,	19
" attendance,	17
Number of Tardy marks,	30

Perfect in attendance—Mary Sibley, Alfred Sibley, Eddie Sibley.

AMOS HARRIS, *Sub-Committee.*

NORTHWEST SCHOOL, No. 3.

MISS IDA A. GOULD, Teacher.

This school has enjoyed an uninterrupted year of peace and prosperity. There has been nothing to interfere with the working of the school in the direction of the results sought for, the healthy development of the moral and intellectual capacities of the young minds committed to its care. And if honest heart-work is sure to meet recognition, we think the results give emphasis to the endeavors.

There has been a sure, healthy growth of the working force of the school, although the change has been in the direction of the relative increase of the younger members and the going out of the more advanced ones. We hope and labor for the continued prosperity of the school.

Whole number of scholars,	26
Average membership,	17
" attendance,	15
Tardy marks,	61

Perfect in attendance:

Arthur M. Cheney, George Poutas.

NAHUM SMITH, *Sub-Committee.*

NORTHEAST SCHOOL, No. 4.

MISS ANNA C. COBURN, Teacher.

It is with gratefnl feelings that we can report that the school has been so favored in the past year in the almost entire freedom from visitation of the physical afflictions so incidental to school-life, and to which the young are so liable. While others have been sorely troubled, we have had only the few isolated cases of short illness. Thus, to whom much has been given, from them much will be expected. But No. 4 never disappoints our high expectations; it wins worthily and wears honestly, our sincere meed of praise.

While the committee always try to do their duty, we think the parents should see for themselves the everyday work in which they have such a vital interest. Not long since a resident clergyman and his wife, parents of members of the school, we noted as frequent visitors; their example we commend to all interested in the school-life of their little ones.

Whole number of scholars, - - - - -	45
Tardy marks, - - - - - - - -	4

Perfect in attendance:

For 6	terms,	Lillie M. Hoar.	
5	"	Milanda McLean,	Bertie E. Tyler.
4	"	Georgia F. Lawson,	Selina McLean,
		Mamie I. Trask,	Bertie H. Trask.
3	"	Robert H. Purcell,	George E. Tyler.

NAHUM SMITH, *Sub-Committee.*

SOUTHEAST SCHOOL, No. 5.

MISS Lizzie J. VILES, Teacher.

This school, like so many others in town, has suffered exceptionally this year from sickness.

This has of course brought down the per cent. of attendance in the school, and been a serious interruption to its usual prosperity.

Faithfnl work has, however, been done by the earnest teacher, and the efforts of the scholars who have been able to attend, have

been very encouraging. The school has grown rapidly during the past few years, and is now the second in town in numbers; and we know of no reason why it may not become second in importance and usefulness.

We realize that these large additions also mean an increase of work and responsibility, and we earnestly bespeak the hearty co-operation of the parents and friends for the future success of the school.

Whole number of scholars, - - - - -	41
Average membership, - - - - - -	32x
" attendance, - - - - - -	29x
Tardy marks, - - - - - - - -	19

Perfect in attendance;

Peter Keeley, Levi Jennings.

HERMAN A. TRAIN, *Sub-Committee.*

SOUTHWEST SCHOOL, No. 6.

MISS CLARA F. STIMPSON, Teacher.

There has been little change in this school during the past year, yet we can report a small increase in membrship.

The school, with a few exceptions, has been quite free from sickness for which we are very grateful. The progress of the pupils in the several branches of study has been very satisfactory. The discipline of the school has been well sustained.

The success attained in singing is worthy of special mention.

The public examination of the regular school work, which was given on the closing day, was rewarded by a generous approval from the visitors.

Whole number of scholars, - - - - -	18
Average membership, - - - - - -	14
" attendance, - - - - - -	12
Tardy marks, - - - - - - - -	67

HERMAN A. TRAIN, *Sub-Commttee*

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE

ON

FINANCE AND REPAIRS.

ITEM 1. Appropriation for support of schools, - -	$3,800 00
Income from Massachusetts School Fund, - - -	164 17
	$3,964 17
Expenditure for support of Public Schools, - -	$3,850 00

ITEM 2. Appropriations for school incidentals, -	$1,000 00
Amount transferred from school fund, - - -	34 86
	$1,034 89
Expended under this appropriation, - - -	$1,034 89

ITEM 3. Appropriation for purchase of school books and maps, - - - - - - - -	$300 00
Expended under this item, - - - - - - -	294 44
Balance unexpended, - - - - - - -	$5 56

Under Item 2, the cost of shingling the No. 4 school-house, and other necessary repairs was $144.70; and the room of No. 1 building was painted at the cost of $75.59. These were principal of the extra expenditures.

A special appropriation was made for grading and fencing the grounds of the High School-house. The sum of $800 was appropriated and expended under the direction of Mr. Henry L. Brown, chairman of a committee appointed for that purpose. The work was well and faithfully done. The thanks of the citizens of this town are due to the chairman for his able superintendence.

Inn the coming year the insurance on the High School building expires, and we must provide water for Schools No. 2 and No. 6.

N. SMITH, *Sub-Committee.*

Report of the Library Committee.

The Library is in its usual good condition, and has been well patronized during the past year.

Two hundred and forty-four books have been placed upon its shelves during the past year, 222 of which were purchased and twenty-two presented. The Library now contains about six thousand volumes. 155 books have been rebound, and fifteen periodicals bound during the year. Whole number of books taken out 8,042.

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It has been the aim of the committee to supply the Library in its several departments with the best books to be had. Many excellent books of travel and biography have been purchased during the year, as will be seen by referring to the annexed catalogue. Short stories are always in demand, and we have taken all that have been offered, which seemed to us up to a proper standard of merit. The year has not been prolific in

first class works of fiction, but we have endeavored to select the best, rejecting such as seemed to us likely to leave a bad impress on immature minds. In the agricultural department, Feeding Animals will be found a most valuable work.

Suggestions from the patrons of the Library in regard to the purchase of books, are always gladly received and given due consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER R. ROBBINS,
AMOS HARRIS,
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